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BRANDEIS' DECLINATION.

The declination by Louis D. Brandels of the appointment to the chalrmanship of the trustees who will take over the Boston & Maine railroad for the purpose of reorganization upsets not only the plans of the government and the New Haven system, but it also prevents the public from getting a line upon Mr. Brandels' ability to put into practical operation his theoretical deas upon the successful conduct of a railroad. It would be of course a stiff up-hill proposition but one which would permit of plenty of opportunity for the exercise of advanced ideas and from which a successful outcome is bound to entitle such a board and chairman to greater credit.

It was Mr. Brandels who declared that the railroads of the country could save a million or so a day through scientific management and it was realized that his appointment would have given him just the chance needed to put his ideas into operation. From his direction of the road it was anticipated that the men who have made railroading a life business were going to get some valuable pointers and particularly the New Haven of which be has long been a student and a critic It is unfortunate that he has found it impossible, not only to show to a hopeful though proof demanding public that his oft promulgated views are correct but to vindicate himself through a concrete illustration. His action is therefore not only a disuable ideas without the support of an actual test.

WASTING OTHERS' MONEY.

In playing fast and loose with the funds of the financial institution of which he was the head, the Memphis banker in wasting somewhere in the neighborhood of a million dollars' worth of other people's money, seems to have been actuated by the belief that he might as well be taken for an old sheep as a lamb. He has certainly gone the limit and given no thought to the burden and the loss which he was placing upon others, He was solely concerned with his own per sonal betterment and willing to risk money which had been entrusted to him for safety. That he is disposed to shift the re-

sponsibility for the crash to Wall street is neither a new nor a satisfy-ing excuse. In such a declaration the weakness of his position and chance which he was taking is fully revealed. His judgment as the head of such an institution should have been such as to have revealed the probability of that very outcome. Such an excuse shows his failure to sure himself of the soundness of the deal which he was putting through. Speculation, Wall street and sharpers have led many men, bankers included. into serious financial straits, but the weekness of such participations seem to be eclipsed by the allurement of riches. The quest for the abnormal return is loaded with grave dangers. Such propositions are made to entice and those who conduct them are sharper than the victim. The number of defaulting bankers is too large but as in this case their excuse is as weak as their judgment.

SCIENTIFIC AGRICULTURE.

For the purpose of getting greater productivity of the soil through a better understanding of the requirements to secure such an end every farmer from Maine to California and from Minnesota to Texas cannot help being interested in the Lever bill, the agricultural extension measure now before congress. To accomplish a better adjustment of economic conditions the necessity of scientific agriculture has long been realized and it is to meet this need through the education of the farmers that a widespread endorsoment of the plan for government participation therein has been secured, Under the proposed act there would be an unconditional appropriation of \$10,-600 to each state with an additional today is that they have no chance allowance of \$600,000 the first year, such appropriation to increase \$600,-000 each year until the \$4,000,000 is reached. In cosperation with this the \$100,000 income? states must appropriate like amount. the manay to be used for the education of the titlers of the soil in scientific agriculture.

output of the farms of the country There are plenty of occasions for the within a decade and a half. It is in suck a method of attack that this cooperative efforts.

country can hope to make farming a much more profitable business and make the country supply its needs. there is a demand for an increase in the production of foodstuffs and this can be accomplished only by the farmers of the country responding to the situation, accepting the opportunity to get better returns for no more effort and at the same time bring in an increased profit to themselves

AN EXAMPLE TO THE WORLD. There is a magnificent lesson to the Latin-American republics in the statements of M. Clemenceau, ex-premier of France concerning the United States. For a long time this country has been endeavoring to use its best influences for the aid of the smaller republics within its dooryard. It has been taking the part of the big brother and striving to throw the arm of protection, sympathy and assistance about these struggling countries for their good, for the establishment of better relations and the benefit of mankind in general,

The effort has met with varied results. There has been a suspicion of the sincerity of the country. Mexicans even today look upon this country as a greedy nation and others fail to appreciate the actual help which the United States is or can be to them.

M. Clemenceau in appreciation of position occupied by this country and the advance which it has made say "New World" is no longer a synonym for this country. It is old in civilization, in progress and in adancement. This is a recognition of the ig part which this country is playing helping many of the older countries, such a portrayal of the help which the United States is giving to others when in comparison with our civilication some of the countries of Europe are classed as young, new and ut eveloped, ought to require no lengthy deliberation upon the part of Latin America before welcoming every chance to profit through the help which this country can give. What is being recognized as good for Europe certainly should be eagerly sought in the western hemisphere.

NURSE TRAINING SCHOOLS.

Great developments have been made nursing and nurse training within te past two decades and the value of is fully understood. There still exists owever much opportunity for its exension. The United States bureau of education in statistics just completed inds that there are 1904 nurse trainng schools in the country and nearly fifty per cent, of them are in the small area of the eastern and north central states. With only 304 such institutions throughout the remainder of the coun try the need of a larger number and a better distribution is made evident.

Standards of nurse training have been rising constantly in keeping with the growing importance of the nurs-Thirty-four states and ing profession. the District of Columbia now have laws prescribing examinations and other tests for the registered nurse, while others are working for adequate safeguards in nursing.

According to officials of the bureau training schools for nurses are making big improvements in the work and that professional field is widening and embracing new and important activities. Public interest in hospitals and training schools is growing and an intelligent public opinion on nursing affairs is gradually forming. The education of nurses, long looked upon as a matter in which hospitals only were concerned, is now beginning to be seen as a matter in which the public also is deeply and necessarily concerned.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Cold, like trouble, grows greater by

It is an abrupt end to which all this

When it comes to New Haver inances Charles S. Mellen doubtless like to let bygones be by

The devotees of the tango don't have

The cold snap has come in for cono try to compete with Lincoln's an

One of the hardest jobs is to try to sten to someone else's trouble on bleak corner during zero weather and

Huerta has ordered an aeroplane The crafty general is making sure of means of escape after the fuel for the railroads is exhausted.

The New York gunmen ought to be able to dispose of their arsenal to Mexicans at good advantage just nov and take a brief vacation.

With a real strike in her "People's army" Sylvia Pankhurst may yet have to come here for instructions in or ganization from General Coxey.

Even seed which is intended for planting should be put soak in time but it looks as if the cemen would harvest their crop first.

It is useless to think of doubting Edison or Marconi. All there is to do is to keep interested and watch developments. They are bound to come,

John D. Rockefeller is being pursued for the collection of \$38,000,000 back taxes and yet some people are devoting their lives to trying to be-

The man on the corner says: It is a pretty cold job which opportunity has and a slim response which it is getting while knocking at Norwich's door over the tenement question.

Not only must those war correspondents who have gone to Mexico put up with the situation they find there, but they must also centend with the unsympathetic back fire from home

The mayor of Boston has told the newspapers of that city how much they must subscribe to the boosting fund. It is apparently a series of jokes and chokes with which he is opening his administration.

The one great regret of the bis majority of the people of this country to participate in the payment of the income tax. Who wouldn't be willing to pay the puny requirement on a

It is no surprising conclusion to which Highway Commissioner Bennett has come that more than a good It is aimed at the doubling of the road builder is required in that office. use of diplomacy, good judgment and men.

THE MAN WHO TALKS

through mistortune; but it is a samulate to have them with us because of our avarice. The man who works for what he gets feels better than the man who whines for it. Dole crushes self respect—delving adds strength to strength and makes of men brethen.

We may be helps or hindrances in life, and what are we? You and I her well-developed though petite form must settle this question for our- was an added charm for many of her must settle this question for ourselves because no one else can settle
it for us. You have not got to be
handsome or rich to be helpful, for
even a poor invalid or cripple may be
helpful, and how many a one because
of a patient, cheeful spirit has been
missed and mourned. There are so
many ways of being helpful—money
or clothing to the preedy poor, dainties many ways of being helpful—money or clothing to the needy poor, dainties to the needy invalid or cheerful words—clever stories, bright memories to the unfortunate—the pleasant word in the family, the cordial greeting to our neighbors, the word in time to those who need it, just the radiation of good cheer if you have it. Any and all good things are helpful if passed around. It is helpful to you and I to be thinking of the weifare of others be thinking of the welfare of others rather than to be everlastingly cater-ing to our own selfishness—to be bracing up our narrowness with an abutment wall, as it were. The way of helpfulness is the way of selfto raise another in spirits is to

I am inclined to think firmness in application to persons is often over-valued and over-praised. In the light of being a rich relation of stubbornof being a rich relation of stubbornness it may be weighed and found
wanting. Firmness may be a very
serious check to progressiveness;
and yet, what is more praiseworthy
than firmness in principles of right
when one knows he is right? But,
alas, so many men think they are
right in matters even the multitude
condemn! It doesn't do to be too
firm lest we be called stubborn and
be compared to the mule. It was be compared to the mule. It was Lavater who declared "The firm without pliancy, and the pliant without firmness, resemble vessels with-out water, and water without ves-sels," hence firmness and pliancy appear to be co-ordinates; and firmness seems to me to be closely related to faith and fidelity. You may not think so, but this looks quite true to me: "There is no consistency except in consistent change; there is no real stability but progress!" Wisdom beckons us on, warns us not to be tied, and keeps allve in our minds that the truth will make us free and that upon us knowledge will confer

Everybody does not seem to be conscious that animals have rights-rights to life, liberty and happinessas well as man. All domestic animals have natural and acquired rights— rights established by law because it became evident that they needed protection. I do not know when we enumerate domestic animals why the horse usually comes ahead of the cow, for it seems as if the cow rendered most valuable service in nutrition as against speed. The ox has rapidly given way to the draught horse; but the sheep, hogs, hens, ducks, dogs and cats appear to hold their our despite their human foes. The rights the domestic animals have by law have grown out of the cruelty of men. The law does not allow the horse to be overloaded, overworked or over-driven or underfed; and against man's cruelty to animals the law protests, despite the pretence that crueity is necessary to obtain a knowledge beneficial to man. The man who is crue to any dumb animal is unwittingly brutalizing himself—the cost of cruel-ty to others is self debasement. The time to think about the detrimental men who respect the rights of the effects of the fun they think they are brutes are least likely to encroach upon the rights of men

The man who first voiced the sentiment "Be up and doing" did not mean "doing others." Of course, man has been "up and doing" ever since the dawn of time, or the race would not tough have been flying through space at the rate of 100 miles an hour, or sending wireless despatches across the oceans. But to be up and doing the oceans. But to be up and doing others does not seem to be so very modern. Doing up others had become so popular in Alexander the Great's day that he did up the nations of earth and wept because there were no more worlds to conquer. This of course was a mistake since the astronomers assure us there are millions of worlds in space. It must have been because of the eagerness of men to be up and doing that produced the conditions which made a new Golden Rule necessary: "Do him new Golden Rule necessary. —"Do him quick, or he'll do you!" This has become such a principle of business that we find those who do the least beneficial work in this world make the most money. I am aware that in a general way Eve is blamed for it. for with the Garden of Eden. In the to game of life the cupidity of ma seems to be accountable for the fact that Paradise is still a dream.

The finest work done in this world is not done in the shops and factories or the marts of trade, or in the schools or institution of men. Life must have a foundation and every individ-ual must build his own according to his views; hence, human life is often seen looming upon a poor foundation because it has not the support of a good character. The building of a good character is the finest work that can be done by man for it is more than riches, fame or ephemeral power. To be a true man is to be a recognized son of God. Man born into life with the power to make of it something noble and beautiful has ignobly falled when he has produced something cruel and perhaps hideous. No amount of money, no amount of power, no amount of fame can correct such a fault. "Character," said Emerson, "is higher than intellect;" and lack of it is what? Good character mean's right living, dependability, and as Carlyle puts it, "something to comfort eternity with. Are his views: hence, human life is often thing to comfort eternity with. Are we true builders?

One of the most expensive habits is finding fault; and it is one often passed from father and mother to son and daughter. Growing crechety and finnicky is a bar to a thousand good things—a curb to prosperity. If this habit does not actually shorten life it tends to make life hard and dismal in every direction. When it comes to advancement in any calling or occupation the pessimist or grouch is usually left in the old groove, and the amiable, cheery worker who is making for harmony, health and happiness is asked to step up higher, assume larger responsibilities, take a bigger salary and increase his usefulness to widen his crease his usefulness—to widen his zone of influence and comfort. Complaining makes bores of efficent work-men. If growling seems natural just resolve to growl to yourself about

VALERIE'S VALENTINE

Isn't it strange that giving the poor goods does not make them happy, but giving them renumerative work does. There is no pleasure in a feeling of dependence, for that is born of independence. A great and free people should take no pride in conditing poverty when duty calls for its abstement. Underpaid workmen are in no danger of being overfed or overdressed. Want is a specter to hauni greed—to remind it that Dives lived and passed—then shricked for a drop of cold water for his parched tongue. It makes no difference how great or good a system of employment or government pretends to be if it is or government pretends to be if it is or government pretends to be if it is or eating beggars in ever increasing numbers, for there is something wrong about it. Poverty can never become anything less than perniclous. The poor will be always with us through misfortune; but it is a shame to have them with us because of our avarice. The man who works for what he gets feels better than the part of the control o Perfect health and perfect happiness had been her lot thus far in life, and indulgence had not spoiled her. pure blonde, her ruddy golden hair, and hazel brown eyes made her the admiration of all who knew her, and

her, Valerie was most attracted by Valentine Morgan. We are told that opposites attract, and certainly in many ways they furnished a great contrast. Valentine reminded one of an ancient Viking in form, and his rugged features completed the sem-blance. No one would ever admire him for beauty, but his manilness and strength would appeal to all who met him. Sincerity and honorable dealing showed plainly in word and One felt that he could be trustd, and relied upon in an emergency He had been abroad on a business venture, and was returning to the firm which he represented sure of ap-proval because of his success in the enterprise upon which he had benn

As they approached the region of As they approached the region of icebergs, fogs enveloped the steamship, and good seamenship demanded a slower rate of speed. This lengthened the trip, and a strong friend-ship sprang up between Valerie Sherman and Valentine Morgan.

By this time Valerie's parents had regained their good sailing qualities, and joined the party on deck and at table. Valentine soon gained their

table. Valentine soon gained their friendship and esteem. His business firm was well known to Mr. Sherman. and his kind attentions to Valerie and herself won favor from Mrs. Sherman. Truly Valentine was in luck, and evidently he meant to make the most of als opportunity.

Many a brisk walk was taken on the deck by two young people, while the older ones were quietly seated

ourself, for perhaps no one has more faults or causes you more trouble. Get home and you will be sure to get

How beauty commands attention in this world, not only for its own sake but for the benefit of others. I was surprised by the agility, affability and attention called forth from a trolley conductor the other day for an old lady who was accompanied by a very pretty young woman. With the property of the latter years to exceed that o what pleasure and grace—and what a smile—he assisted age to mount the high steps and get comfortably seated. I had seen aged ladies feebly pull themselves upon the platform of that conductor's car so often before, slowly and painfully, without eliciting from him the slightest attention, that it did not appear as if he was able to recognize a necessity for courteous to recognize a necessity for courteous helpfulness; but he hid it, and it took a little beauty to call it forth. He was always so chilly in appearance this wonderful warmth and cordiality lifted him right up in my esteem, and it is to be hoped he will keep it up when the young lady is not there. Being always politely attentive to old ladies always excites the admiration of young women. Conductors, mind your steps!

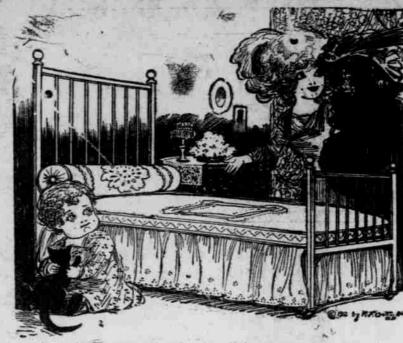
saint, however, who lived and suffered martyrdom under one of the Boman It is claimed, you know that birds choose their mates on that day, and many a sweetheart is obtained on that day in modern times. think I'll make my choice on that day, if luck favors me," he finished laugh-

crash and a jar that shook the huge craft from stem to stern, and started all to their feet in fright. A panic ensued which was not easily subdued. The officers after careful investigation assured all that no damage had been sustained, although they admitted that the steamship had come closer to an iceberg than was exactly comfortable Mr Sherman and Valentine secured life-preservers, however, for their party as a precaution in case of need, and helped to quiet the fears of others by their own coolness. The steerage passengers rushed on deck in affright, and crowded to the edge of the steamer, the result being that onyoung woman was pushed overboard, and fell into the icy waters. The dense fog made it more difficult to locate the drowning girl, but Valentine rushed to the rescue, and was in the waves almost as soon as the victim of the accident. Instinct rather than sight aided him in reaching the girl, and with his burden he was drawn aboard by ready helpers. A mere nothing he claimed it to be, but retired to exchange his clothing after his ic bath, having restored the unconscious girl to her friends who did a like service for her.

A rousing cheer greeted Valentine from all sides on his return to the deck, but most he prized the look he caught in Valerie's eyes as she gazed up into his face. As they paced the deck together in the days that follow-ed, leaving fog behind them, and finding sunshine once more, Walentine felt sure that the fourteenth, of Feby was a long way in the future, his patience was sorely tried by the delay. Their port was made without further incident, and as both were headed for the West, their journey was continued together, till he left the Shermans at their home city, and continued his way westward with a cordial invitation to visit them t his earlest convenience. Mentally he resolved that it should not be long before he availed himself

while of the offer. Circumstances prevented him from keeping his promise till several months had rolled by, and February had come. Then he appeared at the home of his sweetheart with mingled fear and joy. A cordial welcome awaited him from all the family, but all counted for nothing unless Vale-rie's favor could be won. The four-teenth came at last, and he determin-

Mr. Murphy, who used to own New York declares that he is not giving much time to politics right now. There is nothing in it.—Philadelphia



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youth may flow Into the arctic regions of our lives Where little else than life survives." The fact is that all of us are going to get beyond 50-provided we linger on this terrestrial sphere. And it is a pity, indeed, if disappointment is our appointed lot. Old Sol is a mocker if he crossed the meridian in full splendor only to lead us one and all into a clouded and somber afternoon

The best answer to gloomy fore-bodings is the actual experiences of those who have found the giory of yellow leaf, but of flowers and fruits

At 50, one has reached the full tide of physical vigor. The tide indeed, is getting somewhat the other way. Tissues of the body begin to break down and decay. No longer may one reckon on unlimited physical reserves. But at that age the mind, far from having reached its limit, is just complex longer to the first limit of the first limit. The limit of the first limit of the first limit of the first limit of the first limit. The limit of the first l ing into its power. For broad interests and clear vision the average son is not to be compared with his father. The "dead line" is a line more imaginary than any equator ever thought of being in the case of one who has ever been really alive. Look A student board of health has been organized in Columbia University to improve eating houses and restaurants near the University.

A student board of health has been organized in Columbia University to ister to France, his best work for his near the University.

quence of Gladstone in his 85th year. As Dr. Holmes said of Julia Ward Howe, "To be 70 years young is some-times far more cheerful and hopeful

Normally, delight in life should tend to increase rather than to decrease. Continually broader and deeper interests engross one whose mind has not been allowed to go fallow. While the natural tendency of advancing years may be toward narrowness and contraction that tendency is happily defeated in thousands of instances. Those of broadest outlook and most generous sympathies are very likely to be well beyond middle life.

to be well beyond middle life.
Under any proper view of the matter growing older cannot be regarded as a dismal prospect. It may mean enrichment, growth, joy. The west-ern slope of life is aglow with color. "We go from strength to strength."
The path of the just is as a shiring
light that shineth more and more unto perfect day." With what beauty and power are the scripture words daily fulfilled before our eyes by those full splen- who use the world as not abusing it, and who stedfastly hold that "or times are in His hand." THE PARSON.

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